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# Town Officers

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MODERATOR	Samuel P. Huff
TOWN CLERK	Fred W. Barney
TREASURER	Alpheus A. Howe
SELECTMEN	
Arthur W. Bennett	Archie E. Kimball
A. Stuart Gage	
COLLECTOR OF TAXES	
Morris F. Braley	
SUPERVISORS	
Morris F. Braley	Edward T. Kirschbaum
Clinton S. Williams	
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	
Samuel P. Huff	Alpheus A. Howe
A. Stuart Gage	
AUDITORS	
Grover W. Braley	Elsie Williams
CONSTABLES	
Alva P. Goulding	Ephram S. Hunt
CHIEF FIRE WARDEN	Albert E. Valia
DEPUTY FIRE WARDEN	
G. W. Sulloway	
HEALTH OFFICER	
Frank A. Mitchell, M. D.	
REPRESENTATIVE	
A. Stuart Gage	
JANITOR	
William H. Armstrong	

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## Warrant for Town Meeting

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L. S. THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Grafton, County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall, in said Grafton, on Tuesday, the tenth day of March next,

at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to elect one or more Road Agents for the ensuing year.

4. To elect a member of the Board of Trustees of Trust Funds for the ensuing three years.

5. To elect a member of the Library Trustees for the ensuing three years.

6. To see what action the town will take in reference to continuing Dr. Mitchell's monthly bonus of \$83.33 after March 10th, 1931.

7. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount of 3 per cent upon all property taxes paid on or before July 30th, 1931.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in proper observance of Old Home Day.

9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make short time loans in anticipation of taxes.

10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of maintaining town highways and bridges, including the amount of 1-4 of 1 per cent as required by law.

11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of cutting bushes and railing embankments along the highway.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to be used for the purpose of buying new metal culverts to replace old plank culverts.

13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of purchasing snow fence.

14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$829.50 for State Aid Construction thereby obtaining State Aid of \$1658.00

15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appro-

priate the sum of \$1600.00 for Trunk Line Maintenance thereby obtaining State Aid of \$10,400.00.

16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for State Aid Maintenance thereby obtaining State Aid of \$50.00.

17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended in control of White Pine Blister Rust in co-operation with the State Forestry Department.

18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of removing the stone wall beside the State Highway at the Grafton Center cemetery and purchasing and erecting a metal fence to replace the stone wall.

19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of building a new cement bridge at Grafton Pond.

20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of building a new cement bridge on the State Aid road near the Dimond Blacksmith shop.

21. To see if the town will vote to allow Mrs. Lizzie J. Braley damages to property occasioned by the recent road construction at East Grafton. An expression by ballot preferred.

22. To see if the town will vote to reopen the road leading from Williams' Hill to the Boyle Place so-called, otherwise known as the Livingston Hill road, subject to gates and bars.

23. To see if the town will vote to discontinue a piece of road between the Hazel Carlson place and Mason abutments on right hand side of State road as going north.

24. To take any vote or transact any further business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and thirty-one.

ARTHUR W. BENNETT  
A. STUART GAGE

Selectmen of Grafton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ARTHUR W. BENNETT  
A. STUART GAGE

Selectmen of Grafton.

## Inventory of Town April 1, 1930

Real estate, resident		\$246,550 00
Real estate, non-resident		229,592 00
Horses	110	6,450 00
Mules	2	75 00
Cows	195	14,900 00
Oxen	2	200 00
Neat	24	1,475 00
Sheep	98	937 00
Fowl	1346	1,264 00
Fur bearers	25	25 00
Portable mills	6	2,900 00
Gasolene pumps	10	2,000 00
Wood and lumber		22,300 00
Electric power lines		3,000 00
Stock in trade		13,950 00
Mills and machinery		13,800 00

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Total inventory	\$559,418 00
Less Soldiers' exemptions	6,250 00

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Total amount of inventory to be assessed \$553,168 00

## List of Soldiers' Exemptions

Davis, Edna E.	\$1000 00
Davis, Merrill E.	25 00
Dodge, Alice M.	900 00
Dodge, Russell J.	500 00
Hogue, Nelson J.	1000 00
Hutchins, A. R.	200 00
Palmer, Harry	25 00
Russell, Ella F.	600 00
Williams, Wallace	1000 00
Watson, William and Mary	1000 00
Total	\$6250 00



# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

Estimates of Receipts and Expenditures for the En

Compar

Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Pre

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1930	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1931	Increase
From State:			
Insurance Tax	\$ 38	\$ 38	
Railroad Tax	702 83	702 83	
Savings Bank Tax	1090 08	1090 08	
Bounties	20 80	75 00	\$ 54 20
For Fighting Forest Fires	48 36	48 36	
For Highways:			
(a) For Class 5 Highways	990 26	1500 00	509 74
(b) For Trunk Line Maintenance	2553 35	2353 35	
Interest and Dividend Tax	455 65	455 65	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
All Licenses and Permits except Dog Licenses	640 48	640 48	
Filing Fees	5 00		*5 00
Interest Received on Taxes and De- posits	112 86	112 86	
Road Material Sold	21 00		*21 00
Boston & Maine R. R., Fires	11 86		*11 86
From Poll Taxes	560 00	560 00	
From Other Taxes Except Pro- perty Taxes:			
Previous Years' Tax	354 44	354 44	
From County for Support of Poor	335 00	335 00	
From E. E. Parkhurst	21 00		*21 00
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:			
Temporary Loans	14000 00	10000 00	*4000 00
Revenue Which Must be Paid to Other Governmental Divi- sions:			
Dog Licenses	162 06	162 06	
Total Revenues from all Sources Ex- cept Property Taxes	\$22075 41		
Amount Raised by Property Taxes	20711 99		
Total Revenues	\$42,797 40	\$18,590 49	\$4,058 86
*Decrease			\$563 94



# GRAFTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

During Year January 31st, 1931 to January 31st, 1932,

Compared with

Previous Year, January 31st, 1930, to January 31st, 1931.

Purpose of Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1930	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1931	Increase
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## CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 645 06	\$ 600 00	\$ 45 06
Town Officers' Expenses	312 48	312 48	
Election and Registration Expenses	204 50	50 00	154 50
Care and Supplies for Town Hall	40 74	40 74	
Protection of Persons and			

### Property:

Police Department	128 20	128 20	
Fire Department	112 78	112 78	
White Pine Blister Rust	398 79	398 79	
Bounties	74 00	74 00	

### Health:

Health Department	29 00	29 00	
Vital Statistics	8 75	8 75	

### Highways and Bridges:

Bushes	595 89	600 00	4 11
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### State Aid Maintenance—

Town's Contribution	26 33	26 33	
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### Trunk Line Maintenance—

State's Contribution	3698 41	3698 41	
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Town's Contribution	1750 00	1750 00	
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Town Maintenance	7836 20	7836 20	
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Street Lighting	700 00	700 00	
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### General Expenses of Highway

Department	192 30	192 30	
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### Education:

Libraries	164 55	164 55	
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### Charities:

County Poor	333 25	333 25	
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Town Poor	646 78	646 78	
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(Expenditures carried to page 9)	\$17,900 01	\$17,702 56	
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During Year January 31st, 1931 to January 31st, 1932,

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Purpose of Expenditures	Actual Expend's Previous Year 1930	Estimated Expend's Ensuing Year 1931	Increase
(Expenditures bro't from page 7)	\$17,900 01	\$17,702 56	
Patriotic Purposes:			
Old Home Day	25 00	25 00	
Taxes Bought by Town	1676 35	1676 35	
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	32 00	100 00	68 00
Dr. Mitchell's Bonus	1000 00		*1000 00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	267 65	250 00	*17 65
On Long Term Notes	191 52	150 00	*41 52
Auto Permits	42 25	42 25	
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improve- ments:			
Highways and Bridges—			
Metal Culverts	300 00	300 00	
Refunds	112 33	100 00	*12 33
Snow Fence	149 14	700 00	550 86
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Temporary Loans	9000 00	10000 00	1000 00
Long Term Notes	2350 00	2350 00	
Payments to Other Govern- mental Divisions:			
State Taxes	1653 60	1653 60	
County Taxes	1574 57	1574 57	
Payments to School Districts	6559 22	6559 22	
Total Expenditures	\$42,831 64	\$43,183 55	\$1622 96
*Decrease			*\$1271 06

## Appropriations

Defray town charges	\$ 2000 00
Trunk line maintenance	1750 00
Town highway maintenance	4500 00
Cutting bushes and railing embankments	600 00
Dr. Mitchell, bonus	1000 00
Permanent improvements	597 00
Old Home Day	25 00
Street lighting	750 00
Metal culverts	300 00
Snow fence	150 00
Interest on long term notes	282 00
Payment on principal of debt	2350 00
State tax	1653 60
County tax	1574 57
School tax	5995 06
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Total town and school appropriations	\$23527 23
Less estimated revenue and credit	2616 00
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	\$20911 23
Plus overlay	635 84
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$21547 07
Less polls	582 00
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Amount to be raised by property tax	\$20965 07
Total taxes committed to collector	\$21547 07
Rate of taxation, \$3.79 on \$100.00	
Male dogs 48 at \$2.00	\$ 96 00
Female dogs 22 at 5.00	110 00
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70	\$206 00

FINANCIAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OF GRAFTON, N. H.  
IN GRAFTON COUNTY  
FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1931

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ARTHUR W. BENNETT, }  
A. STUART GAGE, } Selectmen.  
A. A. HOWE, Treasurer.

**Town of Grafton, N. H.****Balance****Assets**

Cash:		
In hands of officials		\$3046 32
Accounts due to the Town:		
Due from State—		
(a) Joint highway accounts, Un-		
expended balances in State		
Treasury	\$4398 11	
(b) Balance due on bounties	75 20	
	—————	\$4473 31
Due from County		237 25
Other bills due Town:		
(a) Tax claims held by Town	\$5406 19	
(b) Due from Town of Orange	10 00	
(c) Due from Frank Sleeper, Est.	277 23	
	—————	\$5693 42
Total assets		\$13450 30
Excess of liabilities over assets (net debt)		2937 34
Grand total		\$16387 64
Net debt, January 31, 1930		2627 11
Net debt, January 31, 1931		2937 34
Increase of debt		310 23

Sheet

January 31, 1931

## Liabilities

## Accounts Owed by the Town:

## Due to school districts—

(a) Dog licenses	\$ 162 06	
(b) Balance of appropriation	2795 06	
(c) 1-3 railroad tax	234 28	
	<hr/>	\$3191 40

## State and Town Joint Highway Accts:

Unexpended balance in State treasury	4398 11
Outstanding temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	5000 00

## Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Federal road project, 6. B.	2350 00
Dr. Mitchell's bonus, unexpended	166 21
Unexpended balance for permanent improve- ments	597 00
Cement bridge appropriation, unexpended	684 92
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Total liabilities	\$16387 64
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Grand total	\$16387 64
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## Town of Grafton, N. H.

## Receipts and

## Receipts

## CURRENT REVENUE

## From Local Taxes:

Property taxes committed		
to Collector, 1930	\$21137 05	
Less discount and abate-		
ment, 1930	425 06	
Property taxes current year, actually		
collected	\$20711 99	
Poll taxes current year, actually col-		
lected, 280 at \$2.00	560 00	
Total of above collections		\$21271 99
Tax sales redeemed		354 44

## From State:

## For Highways and Bridges—

(a) For trunk line maintenance,		
summer and winter	\$2553 35	
(b) For class V highway mainte-		
nance	990 26	
Interest and dividend tax	455 65	
Insurance tax	38	
Railroad tax	702 83	
Savings bank tax	1090 08	
Fighting forest fires	48 36	
Bounties	20 80	
	————	\$5861 71

## From County:

For support of poor	\$335 00
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From Local Sources, Except  
Taxes:

Dog licenses	162 06
Filing fees	5 00
Interest received on taxes	69 75
Receipts carried to page 16	\$571 81
	\$27,489 14

## Payments for the Year Ending Jan. 31, 1931

### Payments

#### CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

##### General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$645 06	
Town officers' expenses	312 48	
Election and registration expenses	204 50	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	40 74	
	<hr/>	\$1202 78

##### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department, including care of tramps	\$128 20	
Fire department, including forest fires	112 78	
Blister rust	398 79	
Bounties	74 00	
	<hr/>	\$713 77

##### Health:

Health department, including hospitals	\$29 00	
Vital statistics	8 75	
	<hr/>	\$37 75

##### Highways and Bridges:

Bushes	\$595 89	
State aid maintenance	26 33	
Trunk line maintenance, summer and winter	5448 41	
Town maintenance, summer and winter	7836 20	
Street lighting and sprinkling	700 00	
General expense of highway department, including watering troughs	192 30	
	<hr/>	\$14799 13
Libraries		164 55

##### Charities:

Town poor	\$646 78	
County poor	333 25	
	<hr/>	\$980 03

Payments carried to page 17 \$17,898 01

**Town of Grafton, N. H.****Receipts and**


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Receipts brought from page 14	\$27,489 14
Interest received on deposits	43 11
E. E. Parkhurst, acct. county poor	21 00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1930	
permits	386 49
Registration of motor vehicles, 1931	
permits	253 99
Road material sold	21 00
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	\$1297 40
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$14000 00
Boston & Maine R. R., forest fires	11 86
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Total receipts other than current revenue	\$14011 86
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Total receipts from all sources	\$42797 40
Cash on hand February 1, 1930	3080 56
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Grand total	\$45877 96

## Payments For the Year Ending Jan. 31, 1931

Payments brought from page 15	\$17898 01
Patriotic Purposes:	
Old Home Day	25 00
Public Service Enterprises:	
Dr. Mitchell's bonus	\$1000 00
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	32 00
	<hr/> \$1032 00
Unclassified:	
Taxes bought by town	1676 35
Interest:	
Paid on temporary loans in anticipa-	
tion of taxes	\$267 65
Paid on long term notes	191 52
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Total interest payments	\$459 17
Outlay for New Construction and	
Permanent Improvements:	
Auto permits	\$ 42 25
Refunds	112 33
Metal culverts	300 00
Snow fence	149 14
Indebtedness:	
Payments on temporary loans in an-	
tipication of taxes	\$9000 00
Payments on long term notes	2350 00
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Total indebtedness payments	\$11350 00
Payments to Other Governmental	
Divisions:	
Taxes paid to state	\$1653 60
Taxes paid to county	1574 57
Payments to school districts	6559 22
	<hr/> \$9787 39
Total payments for all purposes	\$42831 64
Cash on hand January 31, 1931	3046 32
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Grand total	\$45877 96

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town hall, lands and buildings	\$1500 00
Furniture and equipment	50 00
Libraries, lands and buildings	4750 00
Furniture and equipment	200 00
Police department, lands and buildings	300 00
Highway department, lands and buildings	100 00
Equipment	900 00
Town safe	150 00
Schools, lands and buildings	4200 00
Equipment	780 00
Hearse and hearse house	300 00
Total	<hr/> \$13230 00

## Town Clerk's Report

Received for licenses:

44 male dogs at \$2.00	\$88 00
2 male dogs at \$0.83	1 66
17 female dogs at \$5.00	85 00

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\$174 66

Town clerk's fees 20 cents each

12 60

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\$162 06

Received for 169 automobile permits from Feb.

1, 1930 to Jan. 31, 1931

\$640 48

Received for primary filings

5 00

Total amount received

\$807 54

Total amount paid town treasurer

\$807 54

FRED W. BARNEY,

Town Clerk

## Town Treasurer's Report

Feb. 1, 1930, to Feb. 1, 1931

Feb. 1, cash on hand \$3080 56

Received from Selectmen

State bounties	\$ 20 80
State highways	2429 43
Classified highways	990 26
State distribution int. and dividends	445 65
State Dept., acct. snow roads	123 92
Savings bank tax	1090 08
Insurance tax	38
Railroad tax	702 83
Road material sold	21 00
County poor	356 00
Railroad fires	11 86
Forestry	48 36

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\$6250 57

## National State Capital Bank:

Loans	\$14000 00	
Interest	43 11	
	<u>          </u>	\$14043 11

## F. W. Barney, Town Clerk:

Dog licenses	\$162 06	
Auto permits, 1930	386 49	
Auto permits, 1931	253 99	
Primary filings	5 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$807 54

## M. F. Braley, Collector:

Previous year's tax	\$ 372 71	
Current year's tax	21323 47	
	<u>          </u>	\$21696 18

Total receipts		\$45877 96
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Total payments, Selectmen's orders paid		42831 64
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Amount on hand at close of year		\$3046 32
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A. A. HOWE, Treasurer.

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Tax Collector's Report, 1930

Property tax for collection	\$20965 07	
Poll taxes for collection	582 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$21547 07

Added to book after assessment	\$173 98	
Interest collected	51 48	
	<u>          </u>	\$225 46
		<u>          </u>
		\$21772 53

Less abatements (property)	\$137 00	
Less abatements (polls)	24 00	
Less discount, 3 per cent	288 06	
	<u>          </u>	\$449 06

Amount collected	\$21323 47	
Paid A. A. Howe, Treasurer	\$21323 47	



## Previous Years' Taxes Collected:

Previous years' taxes	\$354 44	
12 per cent interest on previous years' taxes	18 27	
	<hr/>	\$372 71
Paid A. A. Howe, Treasurer		\$372 71

MORRIS F. BRALEY, Collector.

## Taxes Unredeemed with Interest to February 1, 1931

Braley, Mrs. Eva, 1-4 acre John Trumbull place	\$ 15 01
Barney, Grover L., 285 acres home place	345 73
Cochran, Earl W., 9 acres Baker bungalow	43 94
Cole, Inez R., home place	406 30
Consol. Mica and Quarry Co., Stevens land	238 59
Grafton Mica Co., mining rights on F. R. Smith land	116 82
R. Gage, farm	224 15
Goulding, Alva P., 1-2 interest home place, 1-2 pine lot Dimond Est.	133 67
Glover, Flora E., 1-2 interest in Robinson quarry	78 53
Hogan, William S., 1-2 interest in Robinson quarry	99 97
Hood, Carl W., 100 acres Davis farm	27 52
Jones, William J., 160 acres R. Jones farm	16 22
Kimball, Mrs. A. E., Richardson farm	23 32
Laro, Felix, home place	8 07
Leavitt, George, Frank Leavitt place	68 85
Leavitt, Olin, Frank Russell farm	91 59
Marshall, Frank, A. Davis meadow	37 55
Nettleton, C. F., house and lot	45 64
Noonan, John H.	72 16
Powers, James B., Powers place	62 75
Olyer, Dorris J., 1-2 interest 50 acre Hebert farm	31 93
Rollins, Herbert C., home place	119 02
Stark, Fred, house and lot	24 54

Sulloway, Mrs. Anna, home place	396 49
Sulloway Heirs, sprout land	27 72
Sons, Harley R., R. Gage farm	34 70
Valia, Helen S., Sulloway, Helen S., home place	178 86
Sleeper, Francis, Est., 1 1-2 acres home place	14 32
Braley, A. W., sprout land	16 60
Bullock, Rhoda, Heirs, 2-5 interest timberland	12 48
Allen, Mrs. Mary, Truell farm	166 42
Allen, Chester L., timber and pulp, Gile farm	14 32
Dean, H. G., 50 acres woodland	32 51
Fogg, J. C., Hardy lot	99 36
James, E. B., Thorndike farm	200 29
Geddes, Leland E., Dunning farm	37 77
Leach, Sarah, Est., mining rights on Banks land	36 99
Muller, Otto, home place	55 79
White, Mrs. George, mining rights on Taylor land	262 21
White, M. W., 50 acres mining rights on lot 22, 8 range. 12 acres mining right adjoining above 100 acres. Mining rights north side of road from Frank Sargent's to Height of Land	46 56
Wheeler, Harold B., Bucklin pasture, home place and part of A. E. Gardner farm	93 44
Melanson, Mrs. Carrie, Marshall farm	113 48
Sargent, George H., mining right on Banks land and 32 acres R. Leonard sprout land	72 98
Sargent, George W., 4 acres land and, buildings, Lucas place, 38 acres part of Lucas farm, 40 acres Barney lot	38 06
Wendell, F. H., 1 acre mill site, L. Q. Sweat land	10 23
Blaauw, John, Hoyt farm	163 08
Carleson, Hazel, home place	18 58
Downs, Stella, Francis Sleeper place	16 66

Grass, Joseph, home place	29 92
Hazen, Lorne, Grover Barney farm	379 44
Lamb, Josephine R., Cherry Hill farm	184 38
McKay, George A., William Russell place	19 86
McDonald, George A., David Gile farm	45 62
Quintall, Pat., Nicane Heath farm	26 30
Rollins, Weston C, home place	146 09
Brass, Harold E., cottage and lot	8 84
Dean Bros., timberland	23 34
Kenney and Craft, mining right on LaPlant farm	10 78
New England Minerals, Inc., mills and machinery	72 43
Martin Pierce, 40 acres, 1-2 interest mining right on Durgin land	6 92
Total tax claims held by Town	<u>\$5406 19</u>

#### Town Officers' Salaries

A. S. Gage, auditor	\$10 00
G. W. Braley, auditor	10 00
S. B. Williams, selectman	22 00
Arthur W. Bennett, selectman	176 56
A. Stuart Gage, selectman	162 50
A. A. Howe, treasurer	60 00
M. F. Braley, tax collector	150 00
M. F. Braley, collecting previous years' tax	15 00
F. W. Barney, town clerk	35 00
S. P. Huff, moderator	4 00
Total	<u>\$645 06</u>

#### Town Officers' Expense

W. J. Randolph, transfers and recording	\$ 9 52
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	28 99
Reporter Press, printing town reports	110 00
Reporter Press, printing notices, stationery and signs	10 50

M. F. Braley, searching records and expense to tax collectors' meeting	14 65
S. B. Williams, selectman	50
A. W. Bennett, selectman	30 61
A. S. Gage, selectman	19 98
C. H. Dana Co., dog tags	2 97
George A. Danforth, town clerk's bond	5 00
" " " constable's bond	10 00
A. A. Howe, bonds for town officers	54 00
" " copying inventory book	5 00
" " expenses to Assessors' Association	4 42
" " postage, etc.,	2 84
A. W. Rowell, dues Assessors' Association	2 00
F. W. Barney, town clerk	1 50
Total	<hr/> \$312 48

### Election and Registration

Fred C. Smart, ballot clerk	\$ 12 00
A. S. Gage, supervisor	12 25
Charles S. Davis, attending guard rail	4 00
E. S. Hunt, " " "	8 00
Clinton S. Williams, supervisor	25 00
E. T. Kirschbaum, "	31 00
Weston C. Rollins, ballot clerk	8 00
S. P. Huff, moderator	8 00
Reporter Press, printing check lists	11 00
V. M. Austin, ballot clerk	8 00
Wm. H. Armstrong, ballot clerk	12 00
M. F. Braley, supervisor	47 25
A. P. Goulding, attending guard rail	8 00
G. W. Braley, ballot clerk	10 00
Total	<hr/> \$204 50

### Town Hall

Paid Danbury Light and Power Co.,	\$28 00
Wm. H. Armstrong, janitor and supplies	12 40

A. L. Martin, supplies	34
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Total	<hr/> \$40 74
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## Police

G. L. Barney, supplies for tramp house	\$ 4 81
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Henry M. Valia, care of tramps	33 00
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A. S. Gage, wood for tramp house	7 00
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F. A. Bogardus, medical service	5 00
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A. P. Goulding, services as constable	74 39
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E. S. Hunt, " " "	4 00
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Total	<hr/> \$128 20
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## Refunds

A. P. Goulding,	\$ 0 97
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Mrs. Winnifred Gray, auto permits	5 36
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Davis & Fuller, on taxes from 1925 to 1930	106 00
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Total	<hr/> \$112 33
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## Bounties

S. B. Williams, bounties paid	\$ 2 00
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A. W. Bennett " "	9 60
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A. E. Kimball " "	41 00
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A. S. Gage " "	10 60
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Roy J. Lovering, 54 hedgehogs at .20	10 80
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Total	<hr/> \$74 00
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## Health

Frank A. Mitchell, health officer	\$25 00
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F. A. Bogardus, examination	4 00
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## Vital Statistics

F. A. Bogardus, births and deaths	\$2 75
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F. V. V. Wethey " " "	25
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F. W. Barney, Town Clerk, recording births and deaths	5 75
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Total	<u>\$8 75</u>
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### Cemeteries

Cummings Bros., acct. Weston Francis monu- ment	\$10 00
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A. A. Howe, labor in cemeteries	14 00
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	<u>\$24 00</u>
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### Hearse Hire

Lorne Hazen, driving hearse	\$8 00
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### Dr. Mitchell Bonus

Appropriated	\$1000 00
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Bal. on hand Feb. 1, 1930	166 21
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	<u>\$1166 21</u>
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Paid	1000 00
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Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1931	\$ 166 21
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### Taxes Bought by Town

Tax sale Jan. 31, 1930	\$1676 35
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### Interest

Paid interest to National State Capital Bank	\$459 17
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Received on taxes and deposits	\$112 86
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### Metal Culverts

Appropriated	\$300 00
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Expended	\$300 00
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### Town Highway Maintenance

Bal. on hand Feb. 1, 1930	\$1737 25
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Amount raised by taxation	4500 00
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Received from auto permits	640 80
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Received from State, acct. class 5 highways	990 26
Received from road material sold	21 00
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	\$7889 31

## Expenditures

Winter roads	\$1577 27	
Summer roads	6294 93	
Town highway general expense	12 50	\$7884 70
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Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1931		\$4 61
Paid Langdell Lumber Co., for bridge plank bought in 1928		\$107 80
Paid Town of New London for snow plowing in year 1925		36 00
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		\$143 80

## Winter Roads

Paid Wm. H. Armstrong, road agent	\$ 204 95
M. F. Braley, " "	93 88
S. P. Huff, " "	334 06
James Powers	6 61
Everett Ferrin	25 50
Thompson, Hogue Co., iron for snow plows	9 55
Harry G. Dean	2 40
H. A. Haskins, snow plows	119 50
A. E. Kirk	4 14
W. G. Caswell	21 00
Lester Barney	82 66
G. W. Sulloway	98 99
George Belloir	7 00
W. B. Mayhew, labor on snow plows	29 00
A. E. Kimball, lumber for snow plows	20 40
Charles E. Colburn	359 13
John E. Merrick	13 00
Town of Danbury	60 00
G. K. Webster	85 50
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Total	\$1577 27



## Summer Roads

Paid Wm. H. Armstrong, road agent	\$1998 44
M. F. Braley, " "	2113 62
S. P. Huff, " "	2091 90
Harry G. Déan	50 00
H. A. Haskins, labor on road machine	3 10
Good Roads Machinery Co.	8 50
Reporter Press	2 00
A. S. Gage, freight on road machine wheels	1 70
G. L. Barney, spikes	1 57
P. I. Perkins Co.	24 10
Total	<hr/> \$6294 93

## Town Highway General Expense Account

Paid Boston & Maine R. R., crossing signs	\$12 50
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## Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1930	\$ 35 40
Appropriation 1930	600 00
Amount available	<hr/> \$635 40
Paid Wm. H. Armstrong, road agent	\$200 27
Samuel P. Huff, " "	182 92
M. F. Braley, " "	212 70
Total amount expended	<hr/> \$595 89
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1931	39 51

## Library

Paid librarian	\$ 75 00
Library tax	43 80
A. S. Gage, wood	15 00
A. J. Phelps, sawing wood	2 50
Danbury Light and Power Co..	28 00
G. L. Barney, supplies	25
Total	<hr/> \$164 55

## Trunk Line Snow Road

Paid C. A. Davis, patrolman	\$ 74 19
“ W. G. Dresser, plowing	186 54
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	\$260 73
Due from State Feb. 1, 1931	104 87

## Trunk Line Maintenance

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1930, town and state	\$3759 56
Appropriated by town and state	7875 00
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Total amount available	\$11634 56
Expended by town and state	7236 45
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Balance in state treasury Feb. 1, 1931	\$4398 11

## State Aid Maintenance

Expended	\$26 33
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## Town Poor

Paid Grafton County Farm, acct. Carrie Richards	\$136 00
V. L. Gordon, acct. Henry Otis	70 00
M. G. B. McKenzie, M. D., acct. Henry Otis	17 00
Mrs. J. F. Schirmer, acct. Henry Otis	25 00
J. B. Braley, acct. Henry Otis	7 00
F. A. Mitchell, acct. Della B. Chellis, commitment	33 00
A. B. Kimball, acct. Walter Magoon	9 45
G. W. Braley, “ “ “	56 93
F. A. Mitchell, acct. Rollie Morse	14 00
G. L. Barney, store supplies, Ernest Morse	21 23
G. L. Barney, store supplies, Ed. Morse	62 82
F. A. Mitchell, acct. Mamie Morse	31 00
F. A. Mitchell, acct. Archie Morse	20 75
John C. Colby, acct. Ernest Morse	2 80
R. E. Allen, “ “ “	78

Paid G. L. Barney, supplies, Ed. Morse	67 47
G. L. Barney, supplies, Ernest Morse	35 19
Almon H. Barney, supplies, Ed. Morse	20 56
A. B. Kimball, " " "	8 00
A. B. Kimball, acct. Ernest Morse	7 80
Total	<hr/> \$646 78

## County Poor

Paid A. E. Kimball, acct. Hazel Carlson	\$32 00
A. E. Kimball, acct. F. G. French	32 00
A. E. Kimball, acct. Hazel Carlson	32 00
F. A. Mitchell, acct. Josephine D. Lowell	35 00
F. A. Bogardus, " " " "	5 00
A. B. Kimball, acct. E. E. Parkhurst	4 15
A. L. Martin, acct. E. R. Flanders	23 38
A. P. Goulding, acct. Frank Price	15 00
A. B. Kimball, acct. Derby	30 00
A. C. and W. Williams, acct. E. E. Parkhurst	17 50
F. A. Mitchell, acct. Frank Price	27 50
A. L. Martin, acct. E. R. Flanders	31 50
G. L. Barney, " " "	6 00
G. L. Barney, acct. E. E. Parkhurst	4 00
A. B. Kimball, acct. Hazel Carlson	1 93
A. B. Kimball, acct. Almer Derby	18 00
A. B. Kimball, acct. John Curran	18 29
Total	<hr/> \$333 25

## Blister Rust

There was no money appropriated by the town for this purpose.

Expended under the compulsory law by the State Forestry Department \$398 79

## Snow Fence

Appropriated	\$150 00
Paid Beach Mfg., Co., for snow fence	149 14
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1931	<hr/> 86

## Auto Permits

Paid Fred W. Barney	\$42 25
Due from County Feb. 1, 1931, \$237 25	

## Old Home Day

Appropriated	\$25 00
Paid H. M. Valia, treasurer	25 00

## Street Lighting

Appropriated 1930	\$750 00
Paid Danbury Light & Power Co.	700 00
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1931	<u>\$ 50 00</u>

## Temporary Loans

National State Capital Bank	\$14000 00
Paid National State Capital Bank	9000 00
Outstanding	<u>\$5000 00</u>
Paid State Tax	\$1653 60
Paid County Tax	1574 57

## Forest Fires

A. E. Kimball, Fire Warden	\$108 58
A. E. Valia, Fire Warden	2 20
A. E. Valia, " "	<u>2 00</u>
Total	\$112 78
Received from State Forestry Dept.	\$48 36
Received from Boston & Maine R. R.	<u>11 86</u>
	\$60 22

## Schools

Balance due School District Feb. 1, 1930	\$3359 22
Appropriated	5995 06
Dog licenses	162 06
1-3 railroad tax	<u>234 28</u>
	\$9750 62
Paid School Treasurer	<u>6559 22</u>
Balance due schools Feb. 1, 1931	\$3191 40

## AUDITORS' REPORT

This certifies that we have examined the books of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds and Library Trustees and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ELSIE F. WILLIAMS, }  
GROVER W. BRALEY, } Auditors

## Library Trustees' Report, 1930

## RECEIPTS

February 1st. On hand	\$41 60	
December 27. From Town, Library		
tax	43 80	
From fines	8 98	
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Total		\$94 38

## PAYMENTS

The H. R. Hunting Co., 119 books	\$64 39	
Freight	1 06	
Library bureau, book cards	1 00	
Elsie F. Williams, typewriting cards	50	
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		\$66 95
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February 1st, 1931. On hand		\$27 43

ALVA P. GOULDING, }  
EVA L. HEATH, } Library  
BERTHA M. BARNEY, } Trustees.

## Report of Librarian

For year ending Jan. 31, 1931

Number of bound volumes at beginning of year	2456
Number of bound volumes added by gift	1
Public documents	19
Number of volumes bought	119
Total number of volumes owned at end of year	2576
Fines during year \$8.98	

## SERVICES

Number of volumes adult fiction lent	1320
“ “ “ “ non-fiction lent	32
“ “ “ juvenile fiction lent	283
“ “ “ “ non-fiction lent	6
Total circulation for current year	1641
Number of new borrowers added	
Total number of active borrowers	100

HATTIE E. BARNEY, Librarian.

# Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Grafton on January 31, 1931

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest per cent.	Bal. of Income on			Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand at End of Year
					Beginning of Year	Income During Year	End of Year		
1900				4 1/2	\$44 03	\$10 76	\$15 00		\$ 39 79
Mar. 8, 1904	J. E. Martin	N. H. Savings Bank, Concord	\$200	"	23 22	23 02	23 22		23 02
July 6, 1906	Henry Stevens	do.	500	"	16 00	2 75	15 00		4 65
Aug. 29, 1906	Estrella K. Axtell	do.	50	"	8 06	3 56	8 06		3 56
Feb. 7, 1908	Caudace Cook	do.	75	"	62 75	9 52	15 00		57 07
Feb. 17, 1916	Nasen W. Cass	do.	150	"	20 55	3 04	5 00		18 39
Oct. 7, 1916	Augusta A. Barney	do.	50	"	9 62	2 66	6 00		12 28
Dec. 23, 1918	Mary A. Smith	do.	100	"	24 71	5 45	6 00		24 16
July 8, 1919	Eley Hardy	do.	100	"	31 09	5 78	5 00		31 87
May 27, 1920	Ann M. Hoyt	do.	500	"	141 03	28 10	31 00		38 13
Dec. 10, 1920	Jane K. Lawrence	do.	50	"	5 85	2 36	5 00		3 21
Mar. 13, 1923	Nathan Severance	do.	200	"	78 32	12 44	5 00		85 76
Jan. 14, 1925	Frank D. Currier, No. 1	do.	200	"	76 54	12 20	15 21		73 53
Apr. 7, 1925	George H. Cole	do.	50	"	14 96	2 77	5 00		12 73
Apr. 7, 1926	A. F. Hoyt	do.	100	"	34 33	5 32	5 00		35 25
May 15, 1926	East Grafton	do.	235 50	"	49 73	12 38	15 00		47 11
Mar. 16, 1929	Ella J. Smith	do.	200	"	38 35	10 55	7 00		41 90
Aug. 4, 1934	G. J. Whitney	do.	50	"	7 47	2 45	5 00		4 92
	Edward C. Dinond	do.	50	"	1 69	2 28	1 00		2 97
	Maria E. Martin	do.	706 11	"	791 25	40 06			831 31
		Manchester Savings Bank, Man.							

CERTIFICATE.—This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief. Jan. 31, 1931. A. STUART GAGE, SAMUEL P. HUFF, ALPHEUS A. HOWE, Trustees.



# Report of the School District

FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1930

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## School Board

GERTRUDE P. BURNHAM, (resigned) term expires  
March, 1931.

EVA L. HEATH, (appointed to fill vacancy)

ADA B. KIMBALL, term expires March, 1932.

LENORA G. BREWSTER, term expires March, 1933.

## District Officers

A. STUART GAGE, Moderator.

MILDRED S. BRALEY, Clerk,

ELSIE F. WILLIAMS, Treasurer.

A. E. KIMBALL, Truant Officer.

## Report of School Treasurer

Cash on hand June 30, 1929	\$1037 73
Received from Selectmen, appropriations for current year	\$4510 66
Balance of previous appropriations	443 57
Dog tax	200 90
Income from Stevens trust fund	77 60
Received from State Treasurer	1934 11
1-3 railroad tax	204 09
Received from all other sources	145 00
	<hr/> \$7515 93
Total amount available for fiscal year	<hr/> \$8553 66
Less School Board orders paid	7640 92
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Balance on hand June 30, 1930	\$912 74

• ELSIE FOWLER WILLIAMS, Treasurer.

## Warrant for School Meeting

### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grafton qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the tenth day of March, 1931, at one of the clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
9. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the transportation of Mildred Magoon.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Grafton this 19th day of February, 1931.

EVA L. HEATH,	}	School
ADA B. KIMBALL,	}	Board.
LENORA S. BREWSTER,	}	

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

EVA L. HEATH,	}	School
ADA B. KIMBALL,	}	Board.
LENORA S. BREWSTER,	}	

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## OF THE GRAFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1929, and Ending  
June 30, 1930

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws, 1926, chapter 68:22 and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

ADA B. KIMBALL, Chairman of School Board.

H. HOWARD PRATT, Superintendent.

### Balance Sheet

Assets, June 30, 1930:		
Cash on hand	\$912 74	
Total assets		\$912 74
Liabilities, June 30, 1930:		
Amount due Houghton, Mifflin Co.	\$ 3 20	
“ “ Margaret O'Hara	16 25	
Total liabilities		\$19 45
Excess of assets		\$893 29
Grand total		\$912 74

### GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS

#### Receipts

From State:	
Equalization (State Aid)	\$1934 11
From Local Taxation:	
Assessment required to meet School Board's March, 1929, budget	\$4954 23

## From Sources Other than Taxation:

Dog licenses (from Selectmen)	\$200 90	
Elementary school tuitions	140 00	
Income from local trust funds	77 60	
Other receipts	209 09	
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Total		\$627 59
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Total receipts from all sources		\$7515 93
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1929		1037 73
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Grand total		\$8553 66

## Payments

## Administration:

Salaries of district officers	\$ 151 00
Superintendent's excess salary	150 00
Truant officers and school census	20 00
Expenses of administration	18 60

## Instruction:

Teachers' salaries	3617 00
Text books	83 76
Scholars' supplies	174 76
Other expenses	1 52

## Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

Janitor service	164 00
Fuel	208 25
Janitors' supplies	75 76
Minor repairs and expenses	

## Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

Medical inspection	150 00
Transportation of pupils	1554 90
High school tuition	796 94
Elementary school tuition	66 67
Other special activities	3 16
Alterations of old buildings	25 00
New equipment	133 32

Tax for state-wide supervision (\$2.00 per capita)	212 00
Total payments for all purposes	\$7640 92
Cash on hand June 30, 1930	912 74
Grand total	\$8553 66

#### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Grafton, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, and find them correct in all respects.

GEORGE H. PIERCE, Auditor.

#### Amounts Expended From July 1, 1930, to February 1, 1931

Salaries of district officers	\$ 152 08
Superintendent's salary	207 50
Truant officer and school census	20 00
Expenses of administration	28 44
Teachers' salaries	1964 00
Text books	58 13
Scholars' supplies	22 77
Other expenses of instruction	2 34
Janitor service	20 00
Fuel	67 50
Janitor supplies	50 25
Minor repairs	18 70
Medical inspection	81 51
Transportation	1875 55
High school tuition	411 96
Alterations of old buildings	17 11
Per capita tax	222 00
Total	\$4320 96

## School Board's Budget for 1930-1931

School Board's statements of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1931.

## SUPPORT OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Teachers' salaries	\$4262 00	
Text books	125 00	
Scholars' supplies	100 00	
Flags and appurtenances	5 00	
Other expenses of instruction	10 00	
Janitor service	180 00	
Fuel	200 00	
Janitors' supplies	50 00	
Minor repairs and expenses	75 00	
Health supervision	150 00	
Transportation	1500 00	
Payment of elementary tuitions	225 00	
	—————	\$6882 00

## Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of district officers (fixed by district)	\$ 153 00	
Truant officer and school census (fixed by district)	20 00	
Payment of tuition in high schools and academies (estimated by School Board)	1236 00	
Superintendent's excess salary (fixed by Supervisory Union)	200 00	
Per capita tax (reported by State Treasurer)	232 00	
Other obligations	120 00	
	—————	\$1961 00

Total amount required to meet School Board's budget		\$8843 00
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## Estimated Income of District:

State aid (December 1931, allotment)	\$1963 00
Dog tax (estimate)	125 00
Elementary school tuitions receipts, (estimate)	108 00
Other estimated income (1-3 railroad tax)	175 00
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Deduct total estimated income (not raised by taxation)	\$2371 00
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Assessment required to balance School Board's budget	\$6472 00

EVA L. HEATH,	}	School Board.
ADA B. KIMBALL,		
LENORA S. BREWSTER,		

Grafton, N. H., February, 16, 1931.

Note—To apply for State Aid \$3904.26 must be raised for elementary schools.

## Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board of Grafton, N. H:

The first and perhaps the most important fact which may impress people comparing the budget of a year ago with the one published in the current annual school report is the increase in certain of the items of expenditure as proposed by the school board. A word of explanation seems to be in order regarding these items. Increases in three places are suggested, teachers' salaries, elementary school tuitions and high school tuitions.

A year ago we were convinced of the need of dividing the East Grafton school, as mentioned in the last report, which necessitated the employment of another teacher. As we were unprepared at that time to expend the necessary amount needed for the wages of a permanent teacher, application was made to the Keene Normal school to supply cadet teachers for the remainder of the year. This the normal school was very glad to do and



the advantage was mutual to both the school cadets and to ourselves. This plan was continued during the year beginning September, 1930, as it seemed uncertain whether these two schools would be permanent.

As conditions seem now the division of the East Grafton school will be continued at least long enough to demand the employment of a regular teacher for the 6th, 7th and 8th grades at the usual pay. Hence for next year the sum of \$512.00 has been added to the amount proposed last year to cover the additional cost.

I believe that longer continuence of the cadet plan in this school would be detrimental to the best preparation of our pupils for high school and that they would receive many times more value from the employment of a regular teacher than the extra amount involved. The cadet plan has been entirely satisfactory for a temporary measure, but in the long run the regular teacher can do more for the pupils and take a greater personal interest in them than can temporary teachers.

The second and third items of increased expense Elementary and High school tuitions.

There is no choice for us in the matter of High school tuitions. This must either be raised or assessed in any case as towns are obliged by law to pay for the high school tuitions of all pupils from the towns who are prepared to attend. We expect an increase in our high school attendance next year and an increase of \$191.00 in proposed expenditures is to cover this item.

There are children living in the old Pinnacle district on and near the turnpike who attend the Maxfield school in Springfield who were not there last year. This means an increase in the tuition paid to Springfield of about \$160.00.

To partially offset these increases, reductions in some other items were made as seemed possible, and an increase of State Aid of over \$60.00 helped slightly.

There has been quite a change in the enrollment at



the several schools for last year as can be seen by the following table:—

	1929-30	1930-31
East Grafton	30	29
East Grammar	14	15
Depot	30	21
Center	17	23
Height of Land No. 4	3	11

At the Depot school Miss Elizabeth Goodwin of Eliot, Maine, Keene Normal school, 1930, replaces Miss Lula Hews and is continuing the excellent work of the school.

Miss Bernice F. Wolfson of Canaan, Plymouth Normal school, 1930, replaces Miss Christie Morse and is doing excellent work.

The attendance at the schools is not as good as could be wished. The tardiness of pupils has been, on the whole, improved over last year, and the attendance in most cases is better, except when sickness has made it impossible.

But there is so much room still for improvement that I feel justified in making appeal to parents to let nothing trivial interfere with the attendance of their children at school.

Absence from school does more to interfere with the progress of intelligent children in their school work especially in the primary grades than anything else but poor eyesight.

The record of our elementary school graduates in high school is gratifying. May I take this space to express my personal appreciation of the work they are doing, the records they are making, and to encourage those who have failed to satisfy themselves. No failures have been made which are not able to be remedied in a short time by perseverance in effort.

Whatever the district expends for these young people in way of tuition money is certainly well repaid by

the work which they are doing.

In closing this report I should feel that I had done less than my duty if I failed to express my thanks and appreciation of the loyal support and encouragement given me by the school board. Those citizens, with whom I have been able so far to have an acquaintance, have done their part as well towards making my work in the schools of Grafton pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

H. HOWARD PRATT,

Enfield, N. H.

February 11, 1931



# Births Registered in the Town of Grafton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1930

Date.	Place of Birth	Sex and Condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Place of Birth	
		Male	Female	Living or Stillborn						Father	Mother
1930				No. of Child	Color						
Mar. 24	Grafton	Ruby Dell Powell	F	Living	White	Harry E. Powell	Minta O. Brown	Grafton	Farmer	Danbury	Canaan
Apr. 28	"	Marvin R. Eastman	M	"		Raymond Cole	Alma R. Eastman	"	Truck Driver	Grafton	Orange
May 28	"	Gretchen Magoon	F	"		Walter H. Magoon	Rena M. Craig	"	Salesman	Orford	Westmoreland
June 21	"	Shirley K. Belloir	M	"		George L. Belloir	Lennie M. Morse	"	Lumberman	Newport	Grafton
July 4	"	John F. Bassett	M	"		John E. Bassett	Marian I. Carter	"	Laborer	Salisbury	Boston, Mass.
Oct. 7	"	Fay Ford	F	"		Royal Ford	Margaret Robie	"	"	Fittsfield	Northfield
Nov. 24	"	Gray	M	Stillborn		Clifton Ford	Dora Bliss	"	Blacksmith	New Durham	Hooksett
Dec. 24	"	Frank E. Austin	M	Living		Valentine M. Austin	Mabel Sargent	"	Farmer	Canaan	Orange
Dec. 25	"	Arnold V. Mitchell	M	"		Howard Mitchell	Ruth Hillyard	"	Laborer	Boscawen	Addison, Me.

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## Marriages Registered in the Town of Grafton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1930

Date.	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom & Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in Years	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married
Jan. 26	Enfield	William P. Ring	Grafton	44		Mechanic	Warner	Edmond P. Ring	Henniker	Farmer	Rev. Willard S. Frye, Clergyman, Enfield, N. H.
June 12	Franklin	Sophia C. Hallock	St. Albans Vt	35		Nurse	En'dg Fall-Vt	Mary Smart	Warner	Housekeeper	Arthur A. Richards, Clergyman, Franklin, N. H.
		Morris F. Braley	Grafton	39		Farmer	Grafton	Thomas Comstock	St. Albans, Vt.	Housekeeper	
		Mildred C. Sargent	"	37	White	Housekeeper	"	Mary Tagle	Grafton	Farmer	
Aug. 31	Wilmot	Winifred B. Mayhew	"	39		Carpenter	Turner, Me.	Walter L. Braley	Grafton	Housekeeper	
		Georgianna Curran	"	34		Housekeeper	Marlboro Mass	Lizzie I. French	"	Housekeeper	
Sept. 12	Wilmot	Merton H. Plume, Jr.	"	17		Miner	Groton	Edwin J. Sargent	"	Housekeeper	
		Irene M. Austin	"	16		Housework	Canada	Flora E. Barney	"	Housewife	
								Cornelius Mayhew	Bucksfield, Me.	Housekeeper	
								Joseph Dillingham	Turner, Me.	Housekeeper	
								Margaret Snow	"	Housekeeper	
								Merton H. Plume	Fort Kent, Me.	Miner	Luther M. Keneston, Clergyman, Wilmot, N. H.
								Grace M. Pickering	Lakeport	Housewife	
								Val M. Austin	Canada	Farmer	
								Mabel S. Sargent	Grafton	Housewife	

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# Deaths Registered in the Town of Grafton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1930

Date	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Sex & Condition		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months Days		Male	Female		Father	Mother		
Jan. 23	Grafton	Charles M. Avery	90	9	Vershire, Vt.	M		Retired	Vershire, Vt	Boston, Mass	George Avery	Alice Canyer
Feb. 1	"	Edwin L. Sargent	67	1	Grafton	M		Farmer	Grafton	Salisbury	Ichabod Sargent	Jane French
Apr. 7	"	Frank W. Winn	66	2	York, Me.	M		"	York, Me.	York, Me.	Avery Winn	Sarah Averill
May 2	Franklin	Arthur Dudley	52	1	Grafton	M		R. R. Employee	York, Me.		Charles Dudley	Lydia J. Sleeper
Oct. 21	Grafton	Lendon H. Palmer	73	11	Sutton	M		Retired	Quincy, Mass	Hooksett	Joseph Palmer	Eliza J. Haskins
Oct. 10	"	John A. Jones	67	10	Grafton	M			New Durham		John Jones	Dora Bliss
Nov. 24	"	Gray	67	10	"	M					Clifton Gray	

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